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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Agency Information Collection Activities;

Proposed eCollection eComments Requested;

Revision of existing collection

School Crime Supplement (SCS) to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS)

AGENCY: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY

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The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

If you have comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Rachel Morgan, Statistician, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh St. NW, Washington, DC 20531 (email Rachel.Morgan@usdoj.gov; telephone 202-307-0765).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

- 1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- 2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- 3) Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and

- 4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) *Type of information collection:* Revision of currently approved collection.
- (2) *The title of the Form/Collection:* School Crime Supplement (SCS) to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS).
- (3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Forms: SCS-1. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice.
- (4) *Affected public who will be asked to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

Primary: The survey will be administered to persons ages 12 to 18 in NCVS sampled households in the United States. The School Crime Supplement (SCS) to the National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS) collects, analyzes, publishes, and disseminates statistics on the students' victimization, perceptions of school environment, and safety at school.
- (5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* Approximately 14,461 respondents

between the ages of 12 and 18 will be eligible to complete an SCS interview. This is an increase of 4,909 respondents from the 2013 SCS data collection. Based on the 2013 SCS data collection, we expect that the SCS will take no longer than about 17.5 minutes to administer. The majority of respondents will complete the long SCS interview (entire SCS questionnaire) which will take an estimated 0.292 hours (17.52 minutes) to complete. Based on the 2013 SCS data collection, we expect the completion rate to be 51.7% for the long interview. The remainder of the respondents will complete the short interview (i.e. will be screened out for not being in school), which will take an estimated 0.047 hours (2.83 minutes) to complete. We expect the completion rate to be 8.2% for the short interview. This will amount to a total increase in burden response of 760 hours $((4,909 * 0.517) * 0.292) + ((4,909 * 0.082) * 0.047))$. Due to the changes in the 2015 SCS instrument, we anticipate a total decrease in burden of 89 hours. This is a net increase of 671 (760-89) hours in respondent burden compared to the 2013 submitted total respondent burden estimate of 1,773 hours. The total respondent burden is approximately 2,444 (1,773+671) hours.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:*

The total respondent burden is approximately 2,444 hours.

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